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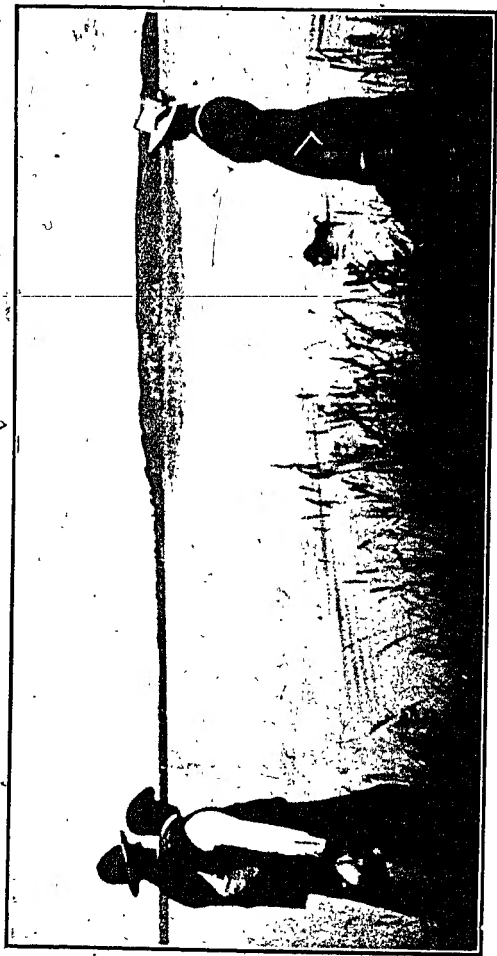
This little booklet is a heart-to-heart message from HOME-MAKERS in Central Alberta, to HOME-SEEKERS in other parts of the world. We, who have subscribed our names to this booklet, are residents of the district. We have our families here, our life interests are here, and we WANT YOU HERE WITH US.

This is a rich, new, prolific country, and all it needs to complete its record is more practical farmers with their families. We have laid the foundation for one of the finest settlements to be found anywhere in Western Canada, but there are not enough of us. We are satisfied with the country. This Bashaw district, with its rich soil, abundant pasturage, ample supply of water, good transportation facilities, offers every advantage for increased settlement.

We came here to better our condition. We are telling you our sentiments and our history in the following pages. We take it for granted that you wish to better your condition, and we urge you to come and see for yourself what we have to offer.

This is a personal message from every subscriber to this booklet. As we hope to meet and become neighbors to many who read it, we will leave it to future associations to hear out what we are saying to prospective settlers in the Bashaw district.

The majority of the unimproved lands adjoining our farms are owned by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. It is true that this



Evening Scene on Buffalo Lake

and other Companies own large areas of lands in different portions of Alberta, which are open to settlement. Our friends, however, have the opportunity to benefit largely from the great amount of time and money spent and the trouble taken by individual members of this Club in investigating such lands before finally selecting this locality. New settlers may save this time and expense by coming direct to this district, when we are convinced they will think it unnecessary to go to the expense of investigating other parts of the country.

In the letters by our club members each individual has endeavored so far as possible in the space at his disposal, to give such a plain, exact, detailed statement of the results he has been able to obtain in his farming operations, that the reader, from these varied experiences, may gather an intelligent idea of what he should expect to accomplish.

The views shown are from photographs taken in the vicinity of and on our farms.

## LOCATION

We are located in that portion of the Province known as Central Alberta. Our town of Bashaw is situated on the Calgary-Edmonton line of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, about half-way between these two cities, the largest between Winnipeg and the Coast, and the best of markets for cattle, hogs, and dairy products. In order that the position of our district may be located at a glance, it has been plainly marked on the map attached herein.

## CLIMATE CONDITIONS

We have here what we believe to be ideal climatic conditions for the permanent health and happiness of the individual. The majority

of the days are long and bright. The sun is warm, but as there is very little humidity in the atmosphere, it is always pleasant in the shade, and the nights are comfortably cool. Our experience has been during all the years we have lived in the district, that the winters are very agreeable, vastly more so than a great many people who have never visited Alberta, seem to believe. We



Picnic Party, Buffalo Lake, near Bashaw

have snow varying from a few inches to a foot in depth for from two to three months each year, but blizzards are absolutely unknown. While it is true that it sometimes gets cold, these periods as a rule are of very short duration and are likely to be followed by weeks of comfortable pleasant weather. The following figures taken from the Government weather reports will show this in a convincing manner.



During the one hundred and fifty-one days in the months of November, and December, 1913, and January, February and March, 1914, there were eighty-one days in which the mid-day temperature at Edmonton varied from thirty to sixty-nine degrees above zero, sixty-one days in which it ran from zero to twenty-nine degrees above, and only nine days in which it ran below zero, the lowest point registered being nineteen degrees below.

The average annual precipitation at Edmonton for the past ten years has been 17.63 inches.



Breaking Prairie, Bashaw District

## SOIL AND CONTOUR OF LANDS

The lands vary from almost level to rolling and are locally known as "Park Country". That is, there are clumps of willow and poplar brush here and there, varying in extent and followed by open spaces of prairie ready for the plough, giving the district a park-like ap-

pearance. It is not difficult to clear this brush, but very important that a reasonable area should be left on each farm owing to its value as fuel, fence posts, building material, and an admirable protection for stock during the winter months. The soil is a rich, dark loam, underlain with a good clay sub-soil, and covered with a very heavy growth of native grass.

## CROPS

The large yields of wheat, oats, barley, and flax secured in Alberta are too well known.



Stacking Grain, Bashaw District

to need emphasis here. However, our experience has been that more money can be made in this district by carrying on mixed farming, that is in dairying, raising cattle, hogs and feed, than by growing grain for the market. We therefore, in addition to wheat, seed large areas to barley, and oats, which produce very abundantly, as do also potatoes, cabbage, all root crops, garden truck of all kinds, and small fruits.

Experiments have been conducted to such an extent with alfalfa, timothy and clover, that we feel justified in stating that they can

be successfully produced. However, as the district is, as yet, rather sparsely settled, and owing to the heavy growth of native grass, heretofore mentioned, it has been unnecessary to go into tame grasses.

## CATTLE AND HOGS

Having these rich pastures and abundance of grain, we are rapidly becoming known as one of the great cattle raising and finishing districts of the Province. Dairying is fast be-



Hogs are Money-makers in Alberta

coming an important industry with us, the products of which always command good prices.

We claim a hog can be produced as cheaply here as any other place on the continent. When you understand that hog diseases are practically unknown in Alberta, and take into consideration our excellent markets, you will

easily realize the splendid profits we are able to secure from this industry. We have direct railway connections with Calgary and Edmonton, the great markets to the south and north, and also with all markets to the East and West.

## FUEL

The question of fuel is always an important one, and in this we are particularly fortunate.



Fuel Free for the Cutting

Coal mines have been developed in different parts of Central Alberta, and a good quality can be purchased at prices varying from \$3.00 to \$6.00 per ton retail in town. In addition, the patches of brush furnish excellent fuel for the trouble of cutting it.

## SCHOOLS

The school system in Alberta is equal to any on the Continent. The schools are organized and governed in very much the same

manner as those in the United States. Owing to liberal Government assistance, the cost to the settler of maintaining the school is comparatively small. Each teacher employed must have a certificate of a recognized standard of education and a thorough system of Government inspection is maintained.

Our school districts have been organized and school houses erected.



Camping, Buffalo Lake, Bashaw District

### CHURCHES

Churches of almost all denominations are found in this district, and services are being held regularly.

## HUNTING AND FISHING

Buffalo Lake, a beautiful, deep body of water, with wooded shores, twenty-five miles long and eight wide, is situated only a few minutes' walk from Bashaw. It affords us boating and fishing equal to that obtained at many famous resorts.

Ducks, geese, and prairie chickens, are plentiful, and we occasionally have an opportunity of shooting a moose or deer.

## TAXATION

Farmers who have been accustomed to the system of taxation in agricultural parts of the United States, will be interested to know that in Alberta no taxes are charged against the farmers' improvements, live stock, machinery, or personal effects. Taxation is simply on the land itself. Every dollar saved on taxes is a dollar added to the profit of the farmer, and a comparison of the rates here with those paid in older districts of high priced land, is very much in our favor.

## TERMS

Add to the foregoing advantages the unusual and heretofore unheard-of terms upon which the Canadian Pacific Railway is offering lands adjacent to us, and you will come to a full understanding of why these lands are being rapidly taken up and our reasons for urging prompt action if you are to avail yourself of this opportunity. One-twentieth of the purchase price is payable in cash, and the balance in nineteen equal annual instalments with interest at six per cent. per annum.

# Settlers' Letters

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Bayview Ranch.

Bashaw, Alberta.

Feb. 15th, 1915.

I was brought up to mixed farming in my native country, County Tipperary, Ireland, and have followed the same occupation since I came to Canada in 1888—seventeen years in Manitoba and ten years in Alberta. From my experience Alberta is an excellent country for



Settler's Home, Bashaw District

mixed farming. I have done well and so can any one else who has a mind to.

BENJAMIN TRAYER, Sr.

Bashaw, Alta.,

Feb. 8, 1915.

We started ranching in this country in 1902 and put on 110 head of cattle; in 8 years we

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had 1,500 head. During this period we put in very little extra capital, other than what we received from the bank.

Some four years ago we went out of the cattle business, owing to the influx of settlers who deprived us of our range, and devoted our attention to farming. In this branch we have not been so successfull, owing to my not having had the practical experience necessary to success.

We now have 3,000 acres of land, of which none is for sale, as I hope some day to have it covered with cattle and the requisite amount of forage and grain with which to finish them.

After I had bought our last section of land, a man from the State of New York sat down beside me and said "I am told that you paid too much for your land." I said, I am quite willing they should think so! and during our conversation I said, that I had made up my mind some years ago to buy all the land that I could finance. He said, "Young man, your head's on level," and then went on and related the experience that his family had had in the State of Illinois, and said, "the same result will come here."

Right here is the garden of Alberta. Last year we had table corn for about 6 weeks, also cucumbers. Had ripe tomatoes from the garden on Aug. 21st: Had musk melons 5 ins. in diameter. They did not ripen, but no doubt they would have, had they been put in earlier and on a more suitable soil.

Climatic conditions always insure a crop.

NORMAN W. HARRINGTON.

Bashaw, Alta.,

Feb. 3, '15.

I came here from Colorado 10 years ago, coming from Boulder County. When I first came here I didn't think I would like it, but

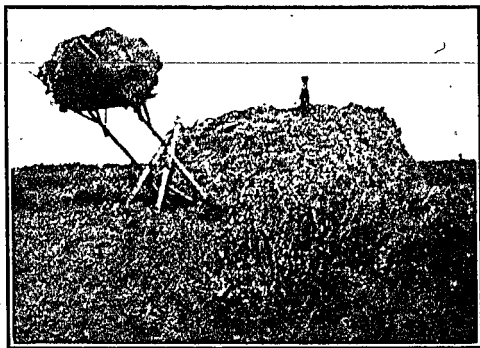


after a year's stay I got into the country's business and now I couldn't think of leaving. Alberta is a good country. I am just now making a visit to Montana, North Dakota, Colorado and possibly California. I recommend this country to men wanting good farms to live on and make good homes.

J. C. NIELSEN.

Bashaw, Alta.,  
Feb. 2, '15.

15 years ago I came from Glyndon, Minnesota, and came into Wetaskiwin. I landed



Stacking Prairie Hay, Bashaw District

there with \$15.00. I met a farmer and went out and stayed the winter for my board; worked around the next year and took up a homestead that fall in the Buffalo Lake district. Bought a team and broke up 25 acres, which gave me oats that went nearly 80 bushels to the acre, and some of them weighed 52 lbs. to the bushel. By changing work with my neighbors managed to build and improve my

farm. I sold out after four years and received for my land \$2,500.00, and my stock and machinery brought me \$1,500.00. The climate is the very best and we have the best of schools, and the majority of the farmers have telephones, with mail left at your door once a day.

I consider Alberta the best part of Canada to get a start in life.

I have since bought a half section of C.P.R. land which I am improving and intend to make my home.

GEORGE F. GRANT.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

February 2nd, 1915.

I take pleasure in submitting the following, and trust it may be of some service, by way of authentic information, to any who may be interested in the resources of this Province:

I am at present in the general store business, and am constantly coming in contact with farmers, among whom I find many who have made almost unbelievable progress in a very short time, beginning with capital, from absolutely nil, up to \$500.00 and over (and it is strange to say, that many who have had but very small means to start with have made the greatest successes).

Let me cite a couple of instances which came under my notice within the past few days: Speaking to a farmer within four miles of Bashaw. I asked him how he was "stacking up", and in reply he told me he could not be induced to leave his farm for any money, and he has just cause to be satisfied with his progress, made during the last four years.

Coming in with a capital of \$400.00, he purchased 160 acres of land at \$8.00 per acre, bought some machinery, horses, and other farm requisites, and was forced to borrow \$200.00 with which to make his first payment on the land.

Today his farm is paid for, he owns all necessary farm machinery, has five head of work horses, twenty head of cattle, twenty hogs, a number of sheep, chickens, etc., etc., all of which, given in figures, at ordinary values, would net a total of approximately \$5,000.00, in four years, on an investment of \$400.00, plus a very praiseworthy amount of grit and energy.

Another instance worthy of note is that of a farmer coming here some 18 years ago, with a family of small children, and capital of \$1.00



Bashaw District Affords Light Timber  
for Fuel and Building

when he landed in this district, borrowing the \$10.00 to file on his homestead, from a friend.

A few days ago this farmer came before my notice while marketing \$1,000.00 worth of wheat, and on inquiring, I found he owns four quarter-sections of land, some 20 head of horses, 45 head of cattle, hogs too thick to be easily counted, every article of farm machinery necessary, splendid residence and outbuildings, and a very snug bank account.

These are only two out of many similar cases, which space will not permit me to enumerate, but I am free to say that I know of

no better place than Alberta, and especially Central Alberta, for any one to "get a start" with limited means, either on the land or in a business way, but especially on the land.

Although at present engaged in business, I began life in Alberta on the farm, arriving in Lacombe 19 years ago, "concealed" in a stock car, and being possessed with "cash in hand for all purposes" to the extent of 35c, and

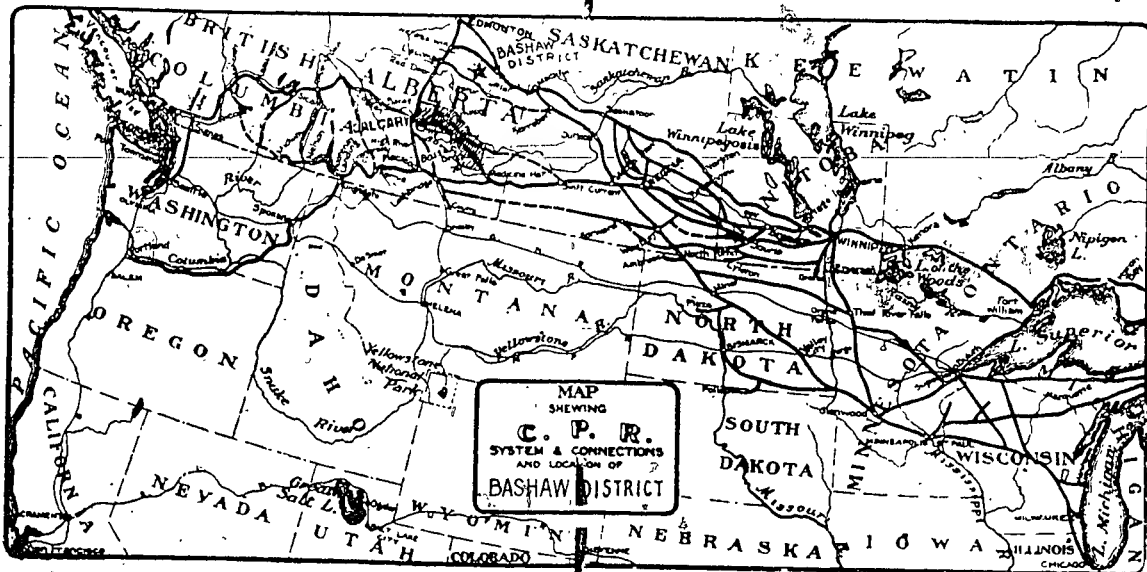
answering any enquiries from those who may be interested in Alberta, with a view to making their future home here.

N. E. LEDGERWOOD.

Bashaw, Alta.,

Feb. 2, 1915.

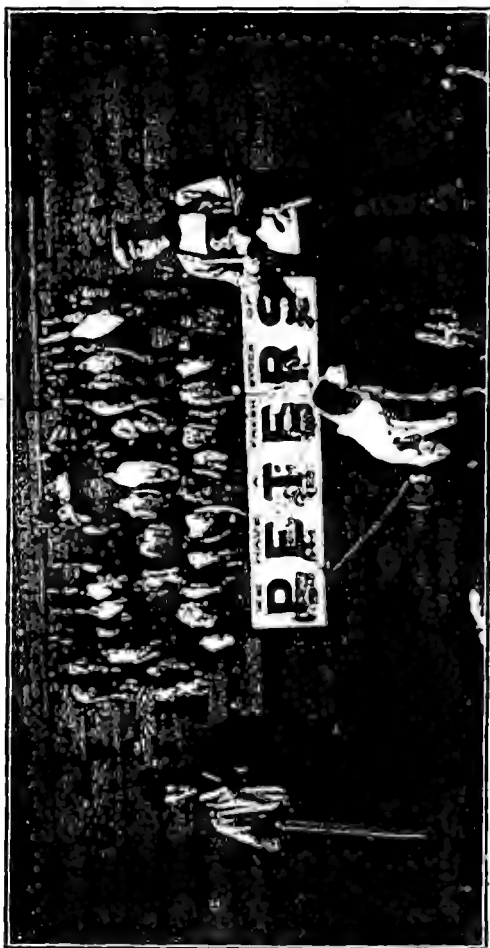
I came to the Bashaw district in the year



without going into details, it is sufficient to say that my present position is another evidence of the manner in which "Alberta Soil" will respond to the honest effort of all who will place their shoulder to the wheel.

I shall be glad to add to the above, by

1904 and have resided there since, and am satisfied with the locality in every way, as I have travelled over a big share of the Province, and have not seen any land more suitable for farming and stock-raising. Bashaw being located near Buffalo Lake makes it a very suitable



A Morning's Sport. Bashaw District

town to live in, or near. I have a quarter-section of land four miles from Bashaw, and although I don't farm I have a great faith in this country, as the land is sold within reason, and the price and terms are such that most anybody can start farming. My expectation is that land in this district will rise in price soon as it is well worth more than it is selling for at the present time,

Any information in regard to land, etc., will be cheerfully given.

BERT WILLIAMS.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

January 19th, 1915.

I came to Canada from Staffordshire, England, first of all going to Vernon, British Columbia, and worked for a time in the fruit orchards there. About four years ago I came to the Bashaw district and was so much impressed with it that I decided to stay.

Since then the development and improvements have been very marked. Farm lands and buildings have been greatly improved and the town of Bashaw itself has grown into as sound a business town as there is in Western Canada, which goes to prove the stability of a mixed farming country.

Before coming to Canada I had a large and varied experience of mixed farming with my father on a farm of about 350 acres, and I must say that this district appeals to me as a mixed farming country more than anything I have seen either in Canada or England.

H. T. ANSLOW.

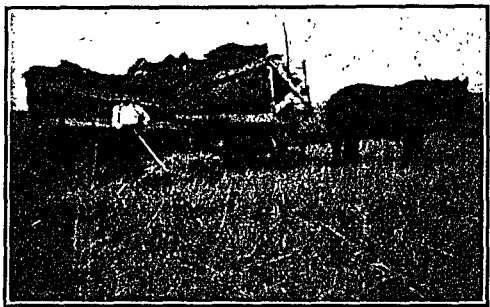
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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 23, 1915.

I was at one time a resident of Honolulu, and engaged in the coffee business, but didn't like it on account of the climate, which is too much the same one day with another, prefer-

ring a climate that had the different changes of season. I left there, coming to Seattle first, later coming to these parts. I have been successful and after living here 11 years I still like it. This is a good staple mixed farming country. A good place to make a permanent home and prosper. In the time that I have been here there have been no failures of crops. There are good crops raised every year. As far as to climate, I will say to remain continually I much prefer this to even that of California. In this climate you enjoy to work.



Note the Heavy Scrubble

Everybody works, rich or poor. It doesn't tire you. And you can fish and hunt to your heart's content.

E. BASHAW.

Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 28, 1915.

Apart from the fertile soil and splendid agricultural country of which the people of Bashaw and district can boast, we turn to the field of sport which is also productive. Bashaw has always had a baseball team, football team,

and tennis is also played. After working in the fields a farmer can drive to town almost any evening, and join in these games. Competing teams come from several districts at or near Bashaw and very interesting games are played, from time to time. In the winter hockey is played, and a good rink affords skating every evening for those who enjoy this kind-of sport. Hunting is one of the great pastimes. It is one of the best districts in the province for duck, geese, partridge and chicken, and many hunters come each year from Calgary, Edmonton and other outside points to enjoy an outing. Bashaw is about a mile from Buffalo Lake, which is one of the prettiest lakes in the province, and which is developing into a very popular resort. There is a splendid beach for bathing and excellent fishing in the lake.

Any enquiries about the town or district will be cheerfully replied to.

E. E. CRANSTOUN.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 28, 1915.

I came to this part of Alberta from Elk County, Kansas, two years ago last March and started to farm here. We have got everything here, the way I look at it, to make a good country for the success of an energetic man.

I think the mixed farming business is A Number One. Hog raising here was a curiosity to me, but they do raise them. I have seen more hogs shipped out of this place than any place in Kansas or any place else in the same length of time.

I was favorably surprised in the winter climate. I have not suffered, but on the other hand I have enjoyed it immensely and I am a man old enough to know what I am talking about. If you are "from Missouri" I can show



the goods. I wasn't unsuccessful, either, before I came here.

M. D. SHARP.

Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 28, 1915.

I came from the southern part of Russia as a small boy with my parents to Medicine Hat, Alta., and later went further north and finally located permanently here at Bashaw, where I am well satisfied, and doing well. I can say this is a good place to locate with small means and make good. I have seen dozens of people come here with very little or nothing and make



A Pretty Spot in Bashaw District

a success. I am farming and also threshing and so can speak as to grain yields, which are not small. No failures any year.

J. H. UTAS.

Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 28, 1915.

I came to this part of the country from the State of Washington, out of the Colville Val-

ley. The time I came here I was disgusted with the country and would have gone back but I didn't have the money to go back. It was a good thing that I had to stay as I have done well in staying. Two of my sons went back to see their old home this winter and as they say they would not like to live there any more. I myself went through several States last winter being in Minnesota, South Dakota, Montana and also in Washington, my old home, but didn't see anything equal to this country.

C. W. BUELOW.

Tristram P.O.,

Jan. 28, 1915.

I came to Canada from Montana 16 years ago. I am in the stock business and farming. My stock includes cattle, horses, and sheep. In the stock raising business this country measures up good. In this Buffalo Lake district we have various good springs that run all winter. The land is a black sandy loam with a clay subsoil, a heavy brown loam prevailing on the higher points. There is small timber in clumps, good for light building timber, firewood and shade for stock in the summer. Farming has paid very well in the past and is even better now.

GEO. SCOTT.

Bashaw, Alta.,

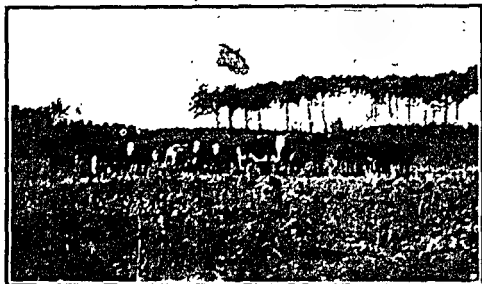
Jan. 27, 1915.

I came here from Russia to this country in 1892. I have been farming all the time and made about \$1,000.00 every year. I own 371 acres of good land. The country is very good, I like it. I don't owe a cent to anybody.

A. S. SCHULTZ.

Mirror, Alta.,  
Jan. 27, 1915.

I came to this country several years ago, after having farmed in Kansas and Oklahoma for 21 years, and say, this is the best country I have been in yet for small grains, vegetables and roots. They told me, when coming here, that I could not raise onions, even, and corn was out of the question altogether. But I have not found any difficulty in raising the best of onions and other vegetables and roots, also small fruits such as strawberries and red and white currants. I have not tried anything else yet in the fruit line. With corn I have been very successful, having ripened the yellow corn "Eureka" that I got from McKenzie's four years in succession, also the "Jehu" white



Cattle Under Shade, Bashaw District

cob corn and "Malakoff" sweet corn. I was also successful the past summer with "North Western Dent" corn, some of it maturing early enough to make seed and the finest crop of fodder that I ever cut. We also had pumpkins sixty pounds apiece, and several varieties of squash in like proportion. I don't start anything in a hotbed except some early cabbage,

cauliflower, tomatoes and celery. I practice level and frequent cultivation with everything except potatoes and celery.

THOS. RIDER.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 27, 1915.

I came here from North Dakota 12 years ago and have been farming near Bashaw 8 years in mixed farming, raising a little of everything. It is a good country for any man that wants a farm of his own. He can get it and when he gets it, it is worth something. The land is rich and the climate very suitable.

R. LUND.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 27, 1915.

I came here from Wilmington, Illinois, 14 years ago. I've been farming here raising stock and grain. I think it is a good country with good opportunities. It is a very good climate, too. I had rather live here than in Illinois. I can sleep good any night in the summer, never too hot. In old Illinois there is no place in the house or in the barn where any one can sleep, for the intense heat.

WM. AINSLEY.

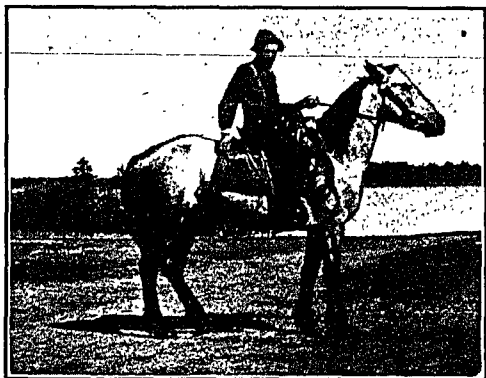
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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 27, 1915.

I fully believe if any woman can speak from experience I should be able to. After travelling the province far and wide I can truthfully say Alberta is the place for the poor man and woman, as well as the ones that have money. Alberta is the place for health, wealth, happiness and sunshine. Speaking of sunshine, this is one wonderful country for sunshine, winter and summer.

I came to Canada from Portland, Oregon, seven years ago—the 19th day of December, 1907, landed at the little town of Stettler, certainly disgusted, would gladly have taken the next train back to my home there if circumstances had not detained me. I came up to this part of the country west of Stettler, most of the land being owned by the C.P.R. After being here a year, living around the beautiful lakes and good people, picking the delicious



Scene on the Shores of Buffalo Lake

wild fruits, I can truthfully say I am contented and fully satisfied in Alberta.

MRS. BERTHA WILLIAMS.

Bashaw, Alta.,  
Jan. 27, 1915.

I came from Roseburg, Oregon, to Alberta three years ago, arriving here on the 21st day of Sept. Naturally I expected an awful winter before me, but contrary to my expectations I found the winters more favourable.

I have prospered from that day to this, although I have been at inside work most of the time, but the country to my opinion is an inviting one to those who want to make money, the opportunities are certainly offered, due to the amount of raw land to be cultivated yet.

I am living with hopes of reaping a big harvest in the future in automobile business, which looks very encouraging owing to the prosperous farmers. Will answer all letters.

R. R. ZACHARY.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 27, 1915.

I left the Old Country (Birmingham), England, in 1887. I have travelled around in various countries and finally came here to Bashaw 16 years ago last spring with \$350.00 capital. I went ranching first, then to farming. I made two trips to the Old Country since and will say this is a good progressive locality and will offer good chances to any man to succeed. We have numbers of fresh water lakes here. Buffalo Lake is the largest, where we have fine sail boating; great duck shooting and many prairie chicken and an occasional moose and deer.

W. E. WELLS.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 27, 1915.

I have lived here 20 years, farming, raising a little of everything. We, together with my father, own 4 quarter sections. I have no thoughts of leaving and am very well satisfied.

JULIUS STEDEL.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 27, 1915.

I came here from Elk County, Kansas, ten years ago and I am still living here. I have

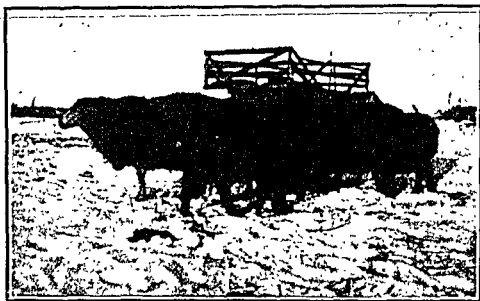
been back to Kansas three times on visits. I came here with nothing and have prospered. I figure that I have cleared over \$1,000.00 a year. I wouldn't like to take that for what I have done. There never was a better mixed farming country. And it is a healthy climate.

L. H. SHARP.

Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 27, 1915.

I came here from Elk County, Kansas, 2



Sheep are Profitable in Bashaw District

years ago, and have got started all right. I have no more business back there, and I came here with nothing almost. Wheat is just now \$1.20 per bushel. If I can't make a surplus every year I can't make anything. I invested \$6.00 in a sow 2 years ago, and I have so far sold 350 hogs from that investment and have some stock feeding still.

N. H. HAWKINS.

Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 27, 1915.

I came here from Sweden. I have farmed

here 6 years, getting along fine. I have a family of six.

There are good chances here for good farmers as there are lots of good prairie land still to be had. I find it all right and a good place to live. And in the Bashaw country we have lakes and summer pleasure resorts.

GUS SAHLEN.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 27, 1915.

I came to Canada 14 years ago, locating on the banks of Buffalo Lake, a beautiful spot for view and great for sportsmen, as goose and duck hunting is great.

My opinion of Alberta is that it is an ideal spot for any ambitious man to prosper. I settled with practically nothing, but now I have my farm well equipped with machinery and stock, and the day of hard times has passed. Will answer all letters.

JOHN NASLUND.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 7, 1915.

I came from Tipperary, Ireland, 24 years ago, going first to Manitoba, then later here to this part of Alberta. I started ranching first, then mixed farming. I think mixed farming is better than anything else.

E. S. PEARSON.

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Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 6, 1915.

I was in Manitoba 3 years before I came to this part of Alberta. I am farming, raising cattle, hogs, and horses. I find it easy to get all the wild hay I can use. My family is always in good health, and are well contented. This is a healthy climate. I had little or nothing when I came here and I have done well.

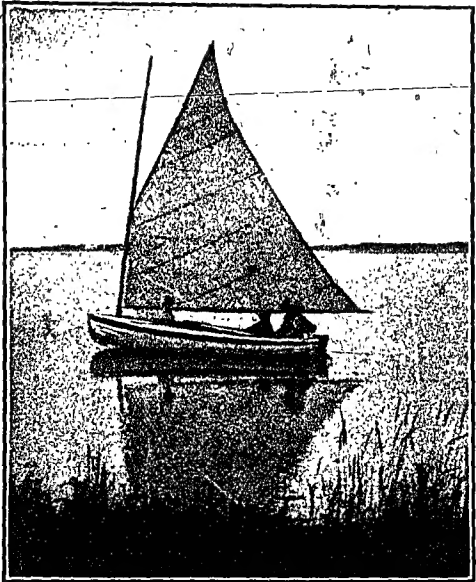
R. SCHULTZ.



Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 6, 1915.

I came here in 1888 from Tipperary, Ireland. I am farming and ranching on Buffalo Lake. I think there is nothing better than mixed farming. The soil is chiefly a black loam with a clay subsoil; even on the ridges



Boating on Buffalo Lake

and hills the soil is black and very productive. No finer grain land can be found. The prairie has clumps of willow brush which can easily be taken away. The prairie, both upland and

lowland, is covered with heavy grass and wild pea, which makes the finest of hay. I live on Sec. 26, Twp. 41, Rge. 20, West of 4th M.

BENJAMIN TRAYER.

Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 6, 1915.

I came from Idaho here 3 years last June. I rented a farm, it will be 3 years the 17th of March since I moved on it. There is no better hog country on earth than we have here. And I know what I am talking about. I have raised hogs on corn in the States. A year ago I threshed 116 acres of ground which produced 6,869 bushels of grain (barley and oats), and I virtually turned that crop into \$3,000.00. I sold over \$2,800.00 worth of hogs alone. We are all in good health, never sick a day since we are here.

W. E. HULLIER.

Bashaw, Alta.,

Jan. 6, 1915.

I came from Minnesota 13 years ago. I have been successful in this country. I believe in mixed farming in this country. It is better here now than it used to be—it is warmer. We can raise No. 1 wheat here now just as good as in any country. Oat crops can't be beat. I have raised as high as 100 bushels to the acre. Market prices good. Wheat today is \$1.03; oats, 42c.

I am farming 150 acres in Sec. 14, Twp. 42, Rge. 22, West of 4th M.

PETER TIMMERS.

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William Ainsley .....	Bashaw, Alta.....	Illinois
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A. B. Schmidt .....	Bashaw, Alta.....	Iowa

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Mrs. Bertha Williams	Bashaw, Alta.	Oregon
George Pulay	Bashaw, Alta.	Hungary
John B. Wilcox	Manfred, Alta.	Ontario
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